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DEPARTMENT PASS DEA, ATTN: TRI AND U.S. CUSTOMS, ATTN: INTL OPS

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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS TRAINING FACILITIES

REF: STATE 284346

1. FOLLOWING REPLIES ARE KEYED TO QUESTIONS IN PARA. FIVE OF REFTEL:

(A) NO: NOTHING SIGNIFICANT;

(B) BOTH CIVIL GUARD ACADEMY AND POLICE (DGS) ACADEMY PROVIDE
SUPERFICIAL (4-8 HOURS) NARCOTICS TRAINING IN BASIC PROGRAMS,
COMBINED WITH CRIMES IN GENERAL. BOTH AGENCIES ARE FEDERAL
AND THEIR ACADEMIES ARE, THEREFORE, NATIONAL TRAINING CENTERS:
TO EMBASSY'S KNOWLEDGE LITTLE OR NO NARCOTICS TRAINING IS
CONDUCTED AT LOWER LEVELS;

(C) TWO ABOVE-MENTIONED ACADEMIES PROVIDE BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT
TRAINING TO CIVIL GUARD AND DGS PERSONNEL;

(D) INSTRUCTORS IN DGS ACADEMY ARE SELECTED FROM POLICE INSPECTOR
RANKS, USUALLY ARE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED AND HAVE LITTLE OR
NO SPECIAL TEACHER TRAINING OR PREPARATION IN NARCOTICS
FIELD. INSTRUCTORS IN CIVIL GUARD ACADEMY ARE SELECTED
FROM OFFICER RANKS, HAVE ATTENDED A SPANISH MILITARY
ACADEMY FOR THREE YEARS, BUT ALSO HAVE LITTLE OR NO TEACHER
OR NARCOTICS PREPARATION. BOTH GROUPS COULD BE TRAINED
TO GIVE IN-DEPTH NARCOTICS TRAINING;

(E) TRAINING PROVIDED TO SPANISH DURING PAST THREE YEARS:
-TWO TWO-WEEK IN COUNTRY SCHOOLS BY USG, APPROXIMATELY
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160 MEN TRAINED (MOSTLY CIVIL GUARD WITH FEW GDS):

ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO 50-60 DGS MEN ATTENDED USG COURSE;
-SEVEN (7) CIVIL GUARD AND EIGHT (8) DGS OFFICIALS ATTENDED
DEA SIX-WEEK SCHOOL IN WASHINGTON ;
-FOUR (4) CIVIL GUARD AND TWO (2) OFFICIALS ATTENDED
THREE-WEEK CUSTOMS TRAINING COURSE IN US;
-FIVE (5) CIVIL GUARD OFFICIALS ATTENDED NARCOTIC DETECTOR
DOG TRAINING SCHOOL OF US CUSTOMS (FRONT ROYAL, VA.);
TRAINING PROVIDED BY SPANISH DURING PAST THREE YEARS:
-TO EMBASSY KNOWLEDGE NONE OF DGS OFFICIALS ARE ACTIVELY
ENGAGED IN NARCOTICS TRAINING;
-NINE (9) CIVIL GUARD OFFICIALS ARE TEACHING
AT ACADEMY;
-FOUR (4) OF FIVE CIVIL GUARD OFFICIALS GIVEN DOG TRAINING
ARE PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN TRAINING DOGS AND HANDLERS AT
CIVIL GUARD DOG TRAINING SCHOOL (EL PARDO);
-DGS HAS RECENTLY STARTED ONE-WEEK IN-SERVICE NARCOTICS
COURSE OF ABOUT 40 HOURS (ABOUT 10 HOURS ON ENFORCEMENT,
30 HOURS ON PSYCHOSOCIAL ASPECTS, REHABILITATION AND
OTHER NON-ENFORCEMENT TOPICS);
(F) SEIZURES OF HASHISH INCREASED FROM 321 KILOS (1971) TO
4500 KILOS (1976-PARTIAL; ARRESTS INCREASED FROM 1350
(1972) TO 2732 (1974);
(G) BOTH DGS AND CIVIL GUARD OFFICIAL AT LOWER LEVELS BELIEVE
THAT SUBJECT TRAINING WOULD BE ACCEPTED BY THEIR AGENCIES,
BUT THEY STRESS THAT POSITION IS UNOFFICIAL AND WOULD
HAVE TO BE APPROVED AT HIGHER LEVEL, BASED ON FIRM PROPOSAL
(DATES, COSTS, ETC.);
(H) IN-COUNTRY TRAINING OF WORKING LEVEL OFFICIALS AT LOCAL
INSTITUTIONS IS RECOMMENDED IN LIEU OF TRAINING IN US:
EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS IS MORE COST-EFFECTIVE (ELIMINATES
HIGH TRANSPORTATION COSTS, TRAINING MORE LIKELY TO BE PUT
INTO USE, ETC.);
(I) AT PRESENT EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE REGIONAL NARCOTICS
TRAINING BY SPANISH IS FEASIBLE OR POSSIBLE.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY'S DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT
ON NARCOTICS COOPERATION WITH SPAIN IS PRESENTLY UNDERGOING CLEARANCE
BY WASHINGTON AGENCIES. ASSUMING SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT SIGNED
WITH SPAIN WITHIN NEXT FEW MONTHS EMBASSY WOULD BE IN BETTER
POSITION TO RECOMMEND FURTHER TRAINING AMONG OTHER JOINT EFFORTS.
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THE ONLY PENDING REQUEST FOR TRAINING ASSISTANCE (DETECTOR DOG
TRAINING IN COCAINE DETECTION) WAS SUBJECT TO MADRID 8755
(REPEATED TO DEAPRTMENT, S/NM; DEA, AND US CUSTOMS, INTL. OPS;).
EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE IN EXPEDITING REPLY TO THIS
REQUEST SINCE STARTING DATE FOR PROPOSED COURSE IN JANUARY 9,1977.
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